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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> (New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))	Attorney Docket No. <u>01CON317P</u>
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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Michael Whitfield, entitled Protected Mechanism for DTMF Relay, for a(n):

- (X) Original Patent Application.
- ( ) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):
- ( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior application No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed on: \_\_\_\_\_
  - ( ) A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

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- (X) Specification; 26 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s), 5 Total Sheets.
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( ) Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27.

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	Title	Protected Mechanism for DTMF Relay
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